



YOUR NEWSLETTER
St Aidan's Catholic Primary School
Friday 14th November 2025
'Hand in Hand with Jesus'



Week Commencing 17/11/25

	Time	Information	Year Group
Monday	PM	Keyboard lessons	KS2
	PM 3.15pm - 4.15pm	Guitar lessons	KS2
		Computer club	KS2
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y2
	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Dodgeball club	KS1
	5pm	Asset committee meeting	
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y1
	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Dance club	KS1
Thursday	Lunchtime	World Children's Day - see below	
	PM	Spanish club	KS2
	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Violin lessons	KS2
Friday	1pm	Netball club	KS2
		'Bring your chap for a chat'	

Attendance: 3rd Nov 2025 to 7th Nov 2025

Reception had the best attendance last week:

Year group	Attendance %
Reception	97.8
Year 1	90.7
Year 2	96.3
Year 3	97.3
Year 4	97.5
Year 5	91.6
Year 6	96.7
Whole School	95.4

The school target for attendance is 96%. Please help us to aim even higher with our attendance.



Quiet Disciple

This week's Quiet Disciple is Luiza Cox (Y5/6S) for lovely manners.

**PLEASE!!
NOTE**

Reception Nativity - time change
Please note that the Reception nativity on 5th December will now start at 10am, not 9.15am, to give the children time to get ready.



Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope

We continue our Jubilee journey as 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Last year, children all made pledges to work within our Mission Statement and be guardians of our world. As the year comes to an end, the children will take time to review their pledges and work together in the hope of a brighter world. We have major events linked to our pilgrimage:

Thursday, 20 th November	World Children's Day. Children are invited to choose a colour from the Pilgrims of Hope logo to wear in school that day.
Friday, 21 st November	Pilgrims of Hope Celebration Day. Children will take part in an assembly and activities throughout the morning. In the afternoon, we welcome the men in our families for the 'Bring your Chap for a Chat'



Elfridges

The FOSA Secret Santa style pop-up gift shop 'Elfridges' is opening its doors again for 2025. Children will visit Elfridges during the school day on December 11th or 12th and will bring home their gifts wrapped and ready to put under the tree for Christmas morning. All children have been sent home with an order slip. If your child wishes to take part, and to help our Elves get organised, please return order slips and monies (in a sealed envelope) to school by Friday 21st November. Thank You, The FOSA Elves

This week in Care Club

We have been celebrating friendships across all ages in honour of Friendship Week.





Bring a chap for a chat

Thank you for your support for this event. We will be sending tickets home next week to parents who returned a slip.



The Brick Donations

Thank you very much for the incredibly generous donations received in school yesterday for The Brick, they were very much appreciated.



Book Nook

On November 22nd, from 10am to 1pm, Wigan borough libraries are hosting a Christmas Book Fair with over 30 authors, free festive crafts, digital fun and visits from Father Christmas!

It is their biggest event of the year

with over 30 local children's authors! This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with children's authors and to buy signed dedicated books as bespoke Christmas presents for family and friends (some authors will be taking cash only, others will be able to take card payments, many books will be at a special price). They are excited to launch a brand new book, The Kindness Club, written by children from across the borough. Free hot drinks and mince pies, festive crafts, digital fun with Computer Xplorers, science exploration with Daresbury Laboratory, music from Hindley Ukulele Band, singing by Orrell Newfold primary choir, and more! Father Christmas himself will also be making appearances! Please book a free ticket for each person attending, both children and adults. All children aged under 8 years must be accompanied by an adult. Follow this link to book tickets: [Wigan borough libraries Christmas Book Fair! Tickets, Sat, Nov 22, 2025 at 10:00 AM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wigan-borough-libraries-christmas-book-fair-tickets-52000000000)

Cordial

Thank you for the kind donations of cordial for the children who have a school meal, any more donations will be gratefully received!



Dates for your diary for the next half term

Please note that these dates may be subject to change

Date	Time	Information	Year Group
16/11/25		Link closes for flu consent / non-consent	Rec - Y6
20/11/25		World Children's Day - wear a colour from the 'Pilgrims of Hope' logo.	Whole School
21/11/25	1pm - 3pm	Pilgrims of hope Day Men's Mental Health Month 'Bring Your Chap for a Chat Day'	Whole School Whole School
28/11/25	AM	Nasal flu immunisations	Reception - Y6
28/11/25		Non-uniform day for Elfridges donations	
11/12/25		Save the Children Christmas jumper day	
11/12/25		Elfridges	
12/12/25		Elfridges	
19/12/25	1.15pm	School closes for Christmas	
6/1/26		School opens for spring term	
15/1/26		Closing date for Reception 26/27 applications	



Safeguarding and Child Protection

Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Farrimond and Mrs Gillard

Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Wood and Mrs Maiden

Our children and their families know that there is always a trusted adult who they can talk to.